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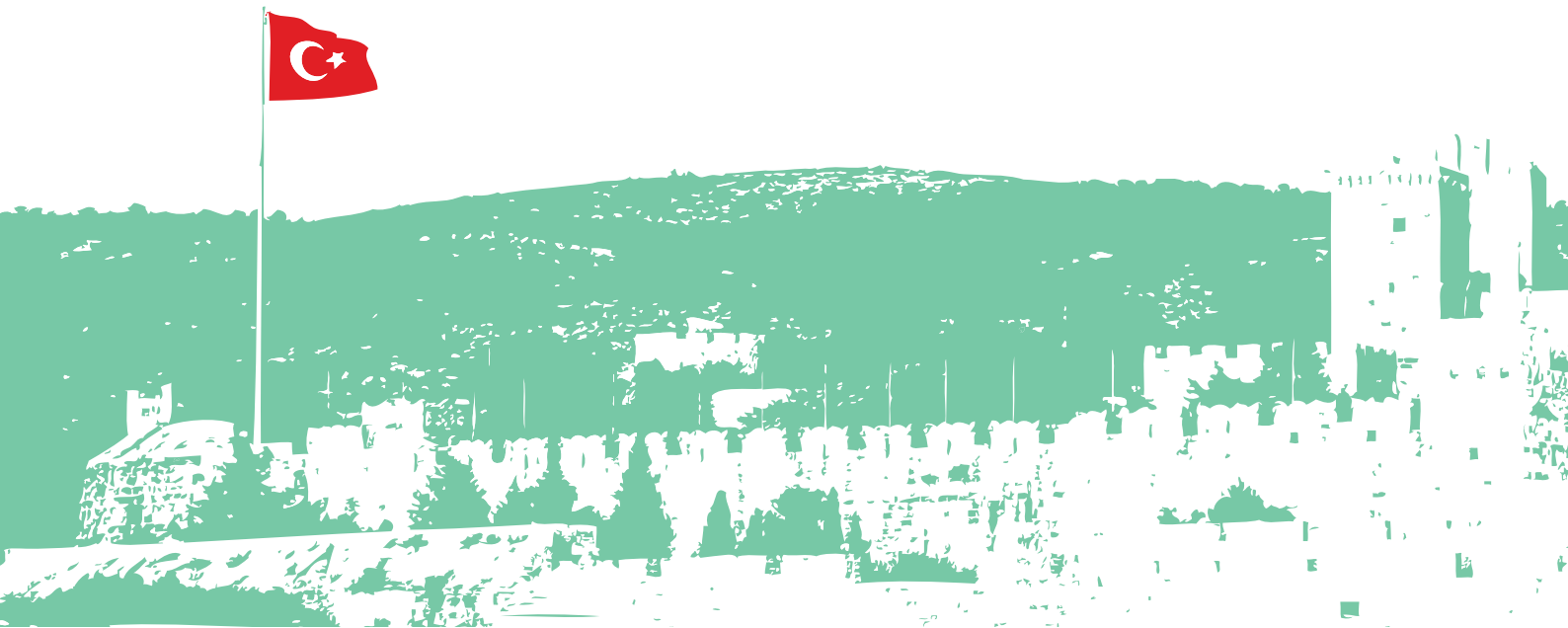
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Friday, 9 October 2026

20.00	**Welcome dinner with keynote speech by Marietje Schaake,** Non-Resident Fellow, Cyber Policy Center & Fellow, Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence, Stanford University Chair: **Charles Grant,** Director, Centre for European Reform

Saturday, 10 October 2026

09.00-09.15	**Welcome remarks**
09.15-10.15	**A conversation with Çağrı Erhan,** Chief Advisor, Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye Chair: **Samia Nakhoul,** Global Foreign Policy Editor, Reuters
10.15-11.45	**Panel 1: Global order in transition: The future of deterrence in Europe** **Steven Everts,** Director, European Union Institute for Security Studies **Levent Gümrükçü,** Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Türkiye **Carmen Romero,** Director of Security Policy, NATO Chair: **Stefanie Bolzen,** Transatlantic Correspondent, Politico
11.45-12.15	Coffee break



12.15-13.45	**Panel 2: EU industrial competitiveness, 'Made in Europe' and the implications for close economic partners** **Ozan Diren,** President, Turkish Industry & Business Association (TÜSİAD) **Erik Jones,** Director, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute **Jurgis Vilčinskas,** Deputy Head of Delegation, Delegation of the European Union to Türkiye **Nicola Walker,** Executive Director, Government Affairs, Europe, Ford Motor Company Chair: **Can Selçuki,** Managing Director, Research İstanbul
13.45-17.30	Lunch & free time
17.30-19.30	**Panel 3: Technology and democratic resilience** **Ayşe Başar,** Rector, Kadir Has University **Tuba Bircan,** Professor, Director, Brussels Institute for Social & Population Studies & Head, AIMS Lab, Vrije Universiteit Brussel **Levent Özbilgin,** General Manager, Microsoft Türkiye **Marietje Schaake,** Non-Resident Fellow, Cyber Policy Center & Fellow, Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence, Stanford University Chair: **Sinan Ülgen,** Director, Center for Economics & Foreign Policy Studies (EDAM)
20.30-22.30	**Dinner in Bodrum**



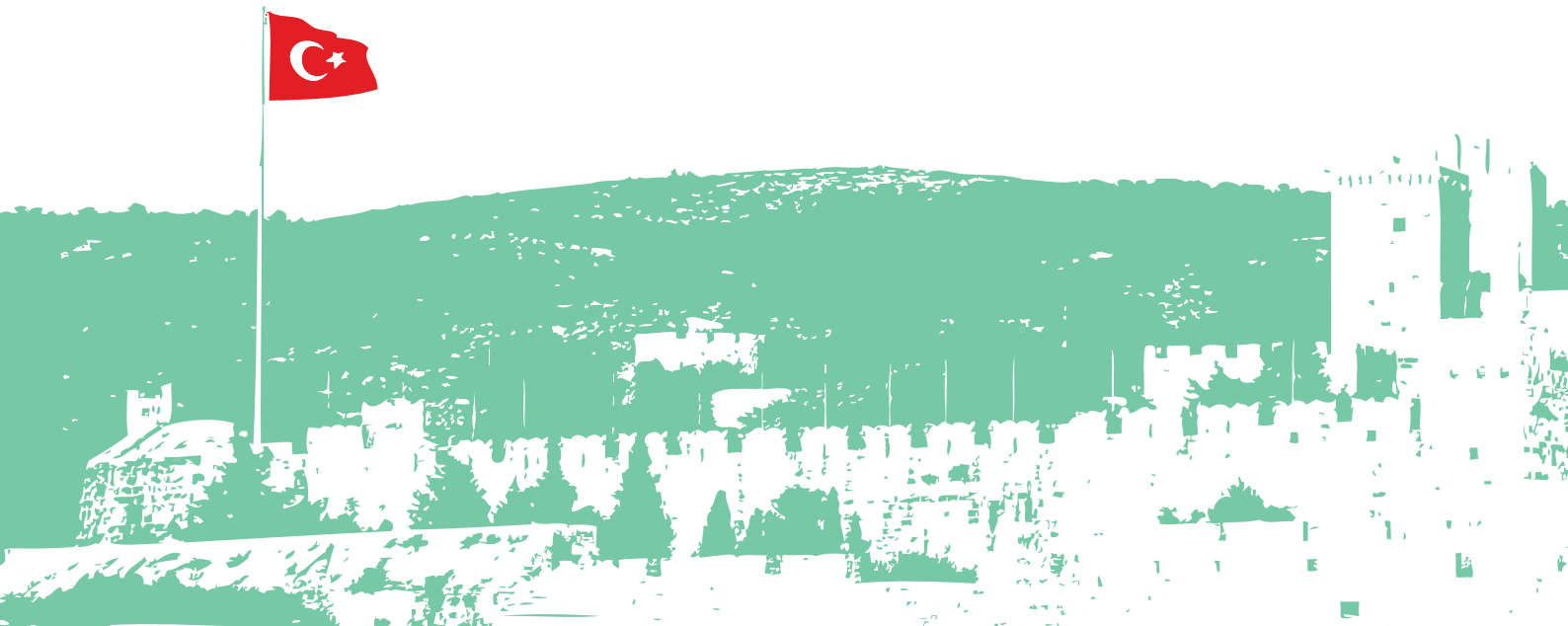
Sunday, 11 October 2026

09.30-11.30 — **Panel 4: Rebalancing the Middle East**

Angelina Eichhorst, Ambassador, Delegation of the European Union to Egypt & the League of Arab States
Ellie Geranmayeh, Senior Policy Fellow & Deputy Director, Middle East & North Africa Programme, European Council on Foreign Relations
Tarek Osman, Author & Senior Political Counsellor for the Southern & Eastern Mediterranean, European Bank for Reconstruction & Development
Soli Özel, Professor, Koç University

Chair: **Ian Bond,** Deputy Director, Centre for European Reform

12.00 — Lunch & departures

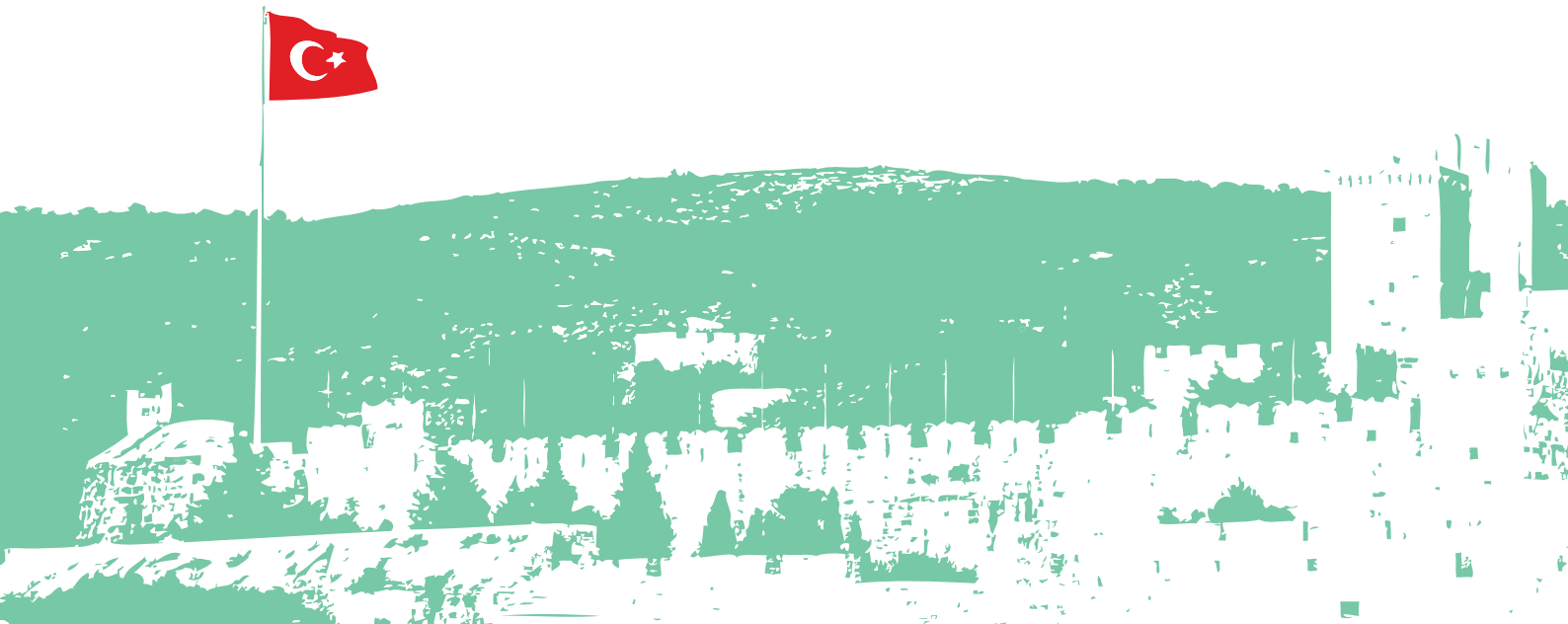


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